

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 996

By Barnes

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Matthew Timmy Alsup,
2010 Salutatorian of Clarksville Academy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Timmy Alsup is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2010 graduating class at Clarksville Academy; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Matthew Alsup has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Matthew has earned an exemplary 3.981 grade point average while participating in a number of extracurricular activities, including the Key Club, for which he has served as Treasurer and Secretary; the Builder's Club, for which he has served as Treasurer; the National Honor Society, for which he has served as President; the Musical Theatre Troupe, with which he has performed in three productions, *Into the Woods*, *The Fantasticks*, and *And the Winner Is...*; varsity tennis; Junior Classical League; Fellowship of Christian Athletes; Math Team; Recorder Ensemble; *White Columns*, for which he served as Editor; the Teen Singers Community Choir; and the University of Memphis Programming Challenge, for which he has won Best of Show twice; and

WHEREAS, Matthew also gives of his time in volunteering in his community and working with the youth group of Madison Street Church of Christ; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Matthew has received many honors, including the 2009 Eleventh Grade Top Male Scholar, 2009 Technology Award, 2009 Chemistry Award, 2008 Tenth Grade Top Male Scholar, 2008 Technology Award, 2008 Jo M. Greene Latin Award, 2007

Ninth Grade Top Male Scholar, 2007 Technology Award, and 2007 Latin Award; he has been on the Honor Roll since 2006 and has been voted Most Likely to Succeed by his senior classmates; and

WHEREAS, Matthew's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success in attending college and majoring in Computer Science; and

WHEREAS, Matthew's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Tim and Sherry Alsup, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Matthew's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2010 Clarksville Academy Salutatorian, Matthew Timmy Alsup, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.